

# NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION[571]

## Notice of Intended Action

**Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."**

**Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.**

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code subsection 455A.5(6), the Natural Resource Commission hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 99, "Wild Turkey Fall Hunting by Residents," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments reduce the quota for fall turkey season in portions of Iowa where turkey brood surveys indicate turkey production has been below average and remove the option for a third fall turkey license.

Any interested person may make written suggestions or comments on the proposed amendments on or before April 29, 2009. Written comments may be directed to the Wildlife Bureau's Web site at [www.iowadnr.com](http://www.iowadnr.com) or may be sent to the Wildlife Bureau Chief, Department of Natural Resources, Wallace State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0034; fax (515)281-6794. Persons who wish to convey their views orally should contact the Wildlife Bureau at (515)281-5034 or at the Wildlife Bureau offices on the fourth floor of the Wallace State Office Building.

Also, there will be public hearings held at 18 locations via the Iowa Communications Network on April 29, 2009, from 6 to 9 p.m. Interested persons should contact the Department at (515)281-5034 for a list of hearing locations or go to the Department's Web site at [www.iowadnr.com](http://www.iowadnr.com). At the hearings, persons may present their views either orally or in writing. Persons attending the hearings will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the amendments.

Any persons who intend to attend a public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Department of Natural Resources and advise of specific needs.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 481A.38, 481A.39, 481A.48 and 483A.7.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 99.2(3) as follows:

**99.2(3) Number of licenses.** No one may apply for or obtain more than two wild turkey fall hunting licenses, whether free or paid, ~~prior to November 1~~. A hunter may obtain no more than two combination shotgun-or-archery licenses, or two archery-only licenses, or one of each. ~~Beginning November 1, a hunter may obtain an additional paid combination shotgun-or-archery license if quotas are not filled.~~ One license of either type may be free to eligible landowners or tenants.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 99.5(1) as follows:

**99.5(1) Combination shotgun-or-archery licenses.** A limited number of paid combination shotgun-or-archery licenses will be issued by zone as follows:

- a. Zone 4. ~~4,500~~ 1,500
- b. Zone 5. ~~700~~ 650
- c. Zone 6. ~~3,000~~ 1,400
- d. Zone 7. ~~400~~ 250
- e. Zone 8. 150
- f. Zone 9. 200